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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

### **DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**



Undertone steady to weak, mostly steady to barely steady on whole turkeys. Inquiry seasonally slow. No trading reported. Offerings available and held with varying degrees of confidence. Trade sentiment on tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins steady to barely steady. Some cautiousness was noted as some watch for further market developments. Grade A 4-8 lb. breast trading was heavy for January shipments at lower trending price levels and fair on fresh mechanically separated turkey. Trading on the balance of items was light.

### **EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**

Demand and trading light. Some activity was noted for Mexico for last minute year 2000 shipments and also for January, 2001 deliveries. Inquiry was also noted from Russia for January, 2001 shipments.

### **SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	98-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	88-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	88-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	87-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	92-129

### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	104
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	81-86
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	73-80
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	74-83

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

#### **CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/**

	<b>OFFERS</b>	<b>SALES</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>	<b>VOLUME (000)</b>
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	63-65	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-64	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	63-65	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	61-62	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	60-62	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	61-62	-	-	-

#### **FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/**

	<b>WTD AVG</b>	<b>VOLUME (000)</b>	<b>DEL. PER</b>
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION 3/	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	-	-	-

#### **OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/**

	<b>VOLUME (000)</b>	<b>DEL. PER</b>
8-16 LB HENS		
EASTERN REGION 3/	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS		
EASTERN REGION	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	-	-
WESTERN REGION	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

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**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 3 JANUARY 2001.

Trade sentiment steady to barely on tom breast meat and destrapped tenderloins. Some cautiousness is noted as some take a wait and see position while they watch for further market developments. Demand and trading light on tenderloins and breast meat. Inquiry slow to good, mostly fair to good on 4-8 lb. breasts. Offerings available with a heavy volume traded at lower trending price levels for January shipments. Trade sentiment steady to barely steady on fresh 15-20% mechanically separated turkey (MST). Fresh MST trading fair for the adequate to fully adequate offerings. Domestic trading slow on the balance of items. Export demand and trading light. Mixed hen and tom tails traded at lower price levels than tom tails.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	99.00-102.00		99.90	2,000
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	24.00	85
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		T	21.14	43
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	23.00	10
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	27.00	10
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	37.00	10
NECKS, TOM	25.00		25.00	40
NECKS, HEN	17.00		17.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	147.00-150.00		148.20	200
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	148.00-153.50		151.94	360
THIGH MEAT		T	78.00	3
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		R	73.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS	122.00		122.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	150.00		150.00	120
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	21.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	19.00-20.00		19.27	520

**EXPORT TRADING**

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	23.00-25.50		23.76	344
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	22.00		22.00	160
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	17.00-20.00		17.90	248
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	18.00	104
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	77.00		77.00	80

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

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**BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 1/3/01**

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD	ACCUMULATED
SEASON	HEAVY HEAVY ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE WHITES BREEDS
2000-2001	19,150 196,533 196,783
1999-2000	1,934 201,527 201,877

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